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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2009, setting forth a shortened period for response ending January 30, 2010. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. Any additional fees required in connection with this Amendment may be taken from Merck deposit no. 13-2755.

Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 9 of this paper.